

**REPUBLICS PROVE AID  
TO LIVE STOCK MEN**

More Than 50 Per Cent of All Motor Trucks Used in Hundred Miles of Stockyards Are Republics.

An important transportation change is taking place in Omaha and in Nebraska, one unheralded by trumpets, set marking an epoch in the commercial life of the state. The change first became apparent at the South Omaha stockyards, then it found its way into the wholesale districts, and now its benefits are reaching to the very doors of the rural merchants. The motor truck, or the basis of the change, is proving itself a revolution in local business of freight.

It has been only a few months since the motor trucks that haul cattle, hogs and sheep to the South Omaha stockyards could be counted on the fingers. Now it is possible machine process. Republic trucks are apparently an intrinsic factor for this sort of work. As actual count during the early months in rush hours show that more than 90 per cent of all the motor trucks in use within a radius of ten miles of the South Omaha yards are Republics.

The new system here made necessary a lot of rebuilding at the stock yards. Poles that used to hold a carload of hogs or cattle now are

arranged to hold automobile truck loads. Special gate closures have been built so that they swing around flush with the platform of the truck. The tailgate of the truck is lifted and the hogs, cattle and sheep made easy in perfect safety and without delay. A truck load of hogs may be sent from truck to pen in a few minutes. Cattle stand to and receive each load as it arrives giving the driver the number of the pen in which his stock has been corralled.

The gradual growth of other hauling by truck has produced many interesting changes in the stock business. Farmers who used to pay but little attention to species raising now come to the stockyards and buy cattle or hogs for fattening. They had done better in motor trucks than turn them out on the farms, fatten them and return them to the market. They can get their stock to market in few hours, the truck hauling on animal them to get practically the same weight as at home. Keeping stock isolated in pens for days decreases the weight and causes a costly pollution. And it has been proved that a 300 pound hog will weigh only 208 pounds after being hauled for 12 miles in a farm wagon. The benefit of time consumed in the road and the rough roads quickly offset the extra weight.

Most farmers hauling live stock put them on the roads during the night, have them in South Omaha for the 6 o'clock opening of the markets and are usually back home by noon. The majority of the Republic trucks used in this work are the one and one-half and the two-ton models.

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**SPORT CELEBRITIES  
DISCOVERED ANEW**

Savy Makes Little Distinction in Men Who Come to Camp—However, All Prove One in Time.

*Along the Horseless Highway.*

GEORGE Y. HODGSON  
GREAT LAKES, Ill., Nov. 2.—It's dangerous to trifly with any one of the 45,000 soldiers of Great Lakes. He might be a professional boxer, a famous ball player, a wrestling champ.

You never can tell. Some of the best athletes on the station have been "spinebreakers" accidentally. They entered quietly and soft of faded into their particular camp before peculiar circumstances brought out their identity.

Take the case of Vincent Pukorney, former heavyweight champion. Company commanders stared over his name for several weeks until one night he strayed into the main barracks where the amateur boxers of the station were working out. One supervisor had trouble finding him.

Vincent "the Cat" was on the gloves with me. I won't hurt you."

No bones put on the mitts. He wasn't hurt by the sized amateur, but his identity was revealed.

Some weeks ago a rookie in Camp Parrott lost his pocketbook. Another brand new gal found it. The finder in reporting gave his name as Cunningham. During the investigation it turned up that Cunningham was none other than the big league pitcher from Detroit.

One of the big busters of the football team was prevailed upon to slip on a pair of boxing gloves and go into the ring during the Wednesday afternoon bouts. In seven seconds he clipped the rival heavily on the jaw. This bird's name was Thomas—Jack Thomas—and the record books prove he acted as Jim Savage's sparring partner for a couple of years, besides making a trip or so with the New York Giants.

Lieut. Johnny Layton, manager of the station ball club, was walking through a detention camp last week when he heard his name called. Turning he found a big rookie behind a swash.

"Kicking me?" inquired the rookie. "I struck you out the last time we met." He was Bernie Boland, another of the Detroit pitchers who had just arrived.

Halpin Burke, marathon swimmer from St. Louis, was wheeling dirt for three weeks in Camp Dewey before he was recognized as the youth who the year before had won the big five-mile river race of the south.

When Fred Thomas of the Boston Red Sox arrived at Great Lakes it took several days before he could be located. Every now and then Coach Collett discovers some football star playing with a regimental team.

And so it goes. Each group of soldiers may include men in the detention camps. The navy makes little distinction. Pal Moore carried a gun in the hot sun just as long as the rookie next to him took his turn at mess regularly. They all rate the same until "discovered" and then if possessing special ability are detailed to a regular assignment.

**Save Half Million Gallons.**

GREAT LAKES, Ill., Nov. 2.—Over 5,000 gallons of gasoline were saved for the allied armies by the strict enforcement of the gasless Sunday order at the naval training station here. The order was made to cover the use of gasoline launches as well.

**Enhance Water Supply.**

GREAT LAKES, Ill., Oct. 2.—A new 36-inch intake pipe is to be added to the Great Lakes water supply system. At present the capacity of the intake pipes is 4,000,000 gallons daily which will be increased over 21,000,000 by the new pipe.

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